CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1. A barrier system comprising:
 - a) means for cutting objects attempting to penetrate an opening; and
 - b) means for connecting the means for cutting in order to form a substantially planar barrier.
- The system according to claim 1 further comprising means for separating the means for cutting from its surroundings, so as to prevent accidental cutting of proximately moving objects.
- 3. The system according to claim 2 wherein the means for separating is transparent.
- 4. The system according to claim 1 wherein the barrier is substantially rectangular.
- 5. The system according to claim 1 further comprising means for retracting the means for cutting.
- 6. The system according to claim 6 further comprising means for compartmentalizing the means for retracting.
- 7. The system according to claim 1 in which the means for connecting are such that the barrier is expandable and compressible.
- 8. The system according to claim 1 wherein the means for cutting comprises barbed tape.
- 9. The system according to claim 1 wherein the means for cutting comprises barbed wire.
- 10. A barrier system comprising:
 - a) a plurality of cutters connected to one another to form strips; and
 - b) a plurality of strips connected to each other to form a substantially planar barrier.
- 11. The system according to claim 10 further comprising at least one separator to separate the plurality of cutters from their surroundings, so as to prevent accidental cutting of proximately moving objects.
- 12. The system according to claim 10 wherein at least one separator is transparent.

- 13. The system according to claim 10 wherein the barrier is substantially rectangular.
- 14. The system according to claim 10 further comprising at least one retractor to retract the plurality of cutters.
- 15. The system according to claim 14 further comprising at least one compartment to compartmentalize at least one retractor.
- 16. The system according to claim 10 in which the plurality of strips are connected such that the barrier is expandable and compressible.
- 17. The system according to claim 10 wherein the plurality of cutters comprises barbed tape.
- 18. The system according to claim 17 wherein the barbed tape further comprises retainer barbs.
- 19. The system according to claim 10 wherein the plurality of cutters comprises barbed wire.
- 20. A method of making a barrier system comprising connecting a plurality of strips of barbed tape at spaced locations to form a barrier sheet.